

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA**

CHARLESTON DIVISION

MARK LEE BOWEN,

Plaintiff,

v.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 2:14-cv-21824

CAROLYN W. COLVIN,
Acting Commissioner of Social Security,

Defendant.

MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER

Pending before the Court are Plaintiff's Brief in Support of Motion for Judgment on the Pleadings ("Plaintiff's Brief"), (ECF No. 14), and Defendant's Brief in Support of Defendant's Decision ("Defendant's Brief"), (ECF No. 15). By Standing Order entered on May 7, 2014, and filed in this case on July 11, 2014, this action was referred to United States Magistrate Judge Dwane L. Tinsley for submission of proposed findings and a recommendation for disposition ("PF&R"). (ECF No. 4.) Magistrate Judge Tinsley filed his PF&R on July 16, 2015, which recommends that this Court grant Plaintiff's Brief, deny Defendant's Brief, reverse the final decision of the Commissioner of the Social Security Administration ("Commissioner"), remand this case, and dismiss this matter from the Court's docket. (ECF No. 17.)

The Court is not required to review, under a de novo or any other standard, the factual or legal conclusions of the magistrate judge as to those portions of the findings or recommendation to which no objections are addressed. *Thomas v. Arn*, 474 U.S. 140, 150 (1985). Failure to file timely objections constitutes a waiver of de novo review and the Plaintiff's right to appeal this Court's

Order. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); *see also Snyder v. Ridenour*, 889 F.2d 1363, 1366 (4th Cir. 1989); *United States v. Schronce*, 727 F.2d 91, 94 (4th Cir. 1984). In addition, this Court need not conduct a de novo review when a party “makes general and conclusory objections that do not direct the Court to a specific error in the magistrate’s proposed findings and recommendations.” *Orpiano v. Johnson*, 687 F.2d 44, 47 (4th Cir. 1982).

Objections to the PF&R in this case were due by August 3, 2015. To date, no objections were filed.

Accordingly the Court **ADOPTS** the PF&R, (ECF No. 17), **GRANTS** Plaintiff’s Brief, (ECF No. 14), **DENIES** Defendant’s Brief, (ECF No. 15), **REVERSES** the final decision of the Commissioner, **REMANDS** this case for further proceedings pursuant to the fourth sentence of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g), and **DISMISSES** this action from the docket of the Court.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

The Court **DIRECTS** the Clerk to send a copy of this Order to counsel of record and any unrepresented party.

ENTER: August 17, 2015

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Thomas E. Johnston', is written over a horizontal line.

THOMAS E. JOHNSTON
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE